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72 pages of specification, 2 pages of claims, an abstract and Application Data Sheet.

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1 page of an Oath or Declaration (unsigned)

Applicant has submitted claims which correspond exactly or substantially to claims 3-10 and 13-14 of

U.S. Patent 6,094,483, which issued to Research Foundation of State University of New York on July 25, 2000. The present application claims priority to dates before the priority date of the

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